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JAE-HO MOON *et al.*

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Art Unit: 2853

For: INK-JET PRINTHEAD ✓

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, and 1.97 and 1.98 applicant cites, lists, and discusses and encloses copies of the following art references cited in an Examination Report from the Japanese Patent Office issued on the 17th of April 2003 in corresponding Japanese patent application No. 2001-066523.

JAPANESE PATENT REFERENCES:

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JP 11-020161

Segawa *et al.*

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"Printer Head And Manufacture Thereof"

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- JP 10-128977 Weber 29 April 1998

"Method And Apparatus For Ink Chamber Evacuation."

and English language Abstract for JP JP 10-128977.

OTHER DOCUMENTS:

- Office action and *Notification of the Reasons for Objection* issued by the Japanese Patent Office on the 17th day of April 2003 in corresponding co-pending Japanese patent application assigned serial No. 2001-066523.

DISCUSSION

As explained by the Japanese Patent Office in its Notification of the Reasons for Objection, Segawa JP '161 and Weber JP '977 make the claimed invention "easily foreseeable" as a print head with formation from ink container to heating elements.

Segawa JP '161 contemplates a printer head providing a container for ink, a head board containing orifices for jetting ink, disposed contiguously to the ink container and counter electrodes that urge ink to pass through the orifice holes. A circuit for driving the counter electrodes is integrally formed with a head board.

Weber JP '977, which corresponds to U.S. Serial No. 07/38516, contemplates a print head with the chamber, a member that defines an orifice and a fluid inlet through which fluid flows to the chamber. A heating member disposed to heating fluid within the chamber to enable the chamber to

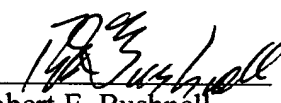
eject a fluid droplet that has a volume equal to the volume of the chamber.

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